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legislation. I don't know how many of you have refreshed your memory with your e-mail file or not, but I do ask that it go no further than it did last February. We have a lot of practitioners, and that was looked at in one of the amendments, we have a lot of small practitioners that I have been told by them, it doesn't take much more to unbalance the equation to where you will wind up with less child-care than you have now. Because a good many of these people are single proprietors of small businesses. I know one of the meetings that I was at in Norfolk had ladies who were conducting these businesses from a three-county area. One was then taking care of the children of children that she took care of. She's been in the business for 26 years, 27 now. She doesn't know how much this bill is going to add to her, she just knows that it will detract. Detract in time, detract in attention to detail, take more time away from business that she is running. Another lady of my acquaintance, who has been running a business, I think for about 11 or 12 years, says that she has no time now to her family, except occasionally on weekends, because these jobs run from early in the morning until late in the afternoon, early in the evening. The only thing this bill does is add to their burden, it doesn't subtract from their burden.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR TYSON: I won't go further. This is a reminder call only. It was a bad piece of legislation two months ago, it hasn't gotten a bit better. And I urge that you not advance it now. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Tyson. Senator Kristensen.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. I...Senator Tyson's remarks prompted me to review with you briefly, and Senator Tyson, it has nothing to do with what you said, it's you reminded me of something I needed to do about why we would come back to Select File. Each year we try to make a pass through Select File and try to clear out Select File if we can. In scheduling, that's what I've always tried to do, and so yes, you've got a bill like this that's been there